UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

LAWRENCE BLACK,

Plaintiff,	
	Case No. 12-CV-13130
VS.	HON. GEORGE CARAM STEEH
O'BRIEN, WEXLER AND ASSOC., LLC,	
Defendants.	

ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR ENTRY OF DEFAULT JUDGMENT

This matter is before the court on plaintiff Lawrence Black's motion for entry of default judgment on his complaint brought pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act. Plaintiff filed his complaint on July 17, 2012, and service was effectuated on defendant's resident agent on August 3, 2012. Defendant did not answer the complaint, and plaintiff requested clerk's entry of default, which was entered on September 26, 2012. In his motion for entry of default judgment, plaintiff seeks to recover \$1,000.00 in statutory damages, plus attorney fees of \$2,500.00 and court costs of \$425.00. The court has reviewed all of the pleadings submitted in this matter, including the affidavit of plaintiff's counsel Ronald S. Weiss. Now, therefore,

All criteria are met under Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 55(b). The Court will enter default judgment in the amount of \$1,000.00 statutory damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(a)(2)(A). The Court will also award attorney fees in the amount of \$2,000.00, which is in line with the amount of work plaintiff's counsel performed in the case. Court costs of \$425.00 are also awarded in this case.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that plaintiff's motion for entry of default judgment is entered in the amount of \$3,425.00, as calculated above.

It is so ordered.

Dated: December 5, 2012

s/George Caram Steeh
GEORGE CARAM STEEH
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Copies of this Order were served upon attorneys of record on December 5, 2012, by electronic and/or ordinary mail.

s/Barbara Radke Deputy Clerk